

Amendments to the Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A corrugated cardboard pallet comprising a top sheet ~~(28)~~, a base sheet ~~(29)~~ and at least one connecting member ~~(30-38)~~ between said top and base sheets, the connecting member being moveable to shift the pallet between a relatively flat and a relatively erect form characterized ~~characterised~~ in that each connecting member comprises two substantially parallel opposing main body panels ~~(18,20)~~ and two pairs of opposing side walls ~~(X, Y)~~ wherein each of one pair of opposing side walls is formed from at least two interlockable parts ~~(11, 14, 22, 25)~~ to enable each member to be moveable from a flattened or collapsed state to an erect state.
2. (Currently Amended) A corrugated cardboard pallet as claimed in claim 1 wherein each support ~~(40)~~ is constructed from a blank ~~(2)~~ comprising two main body forming panels ~~(18, 20)~~, a middle panel ~~(19)~~ between said body forming panels and at least one end flap ~~(21)~~, each main body forming panel and middle panel having opposing side flaps ~~(11, 22, 14, 25, 13, 24)~~, each side flap of the main body panels being provided with an indent ~~(4)~~.
3. (Currently Amended) A corrugated cardboard pallet as claimed in claim 2 wherein the side flaps ~~(11, 22, 14, 25)~~ of the main body panels are secured to the side flaps ~~(13, 24)~~ of the middle panel, the end flap ~~(21)~~ is folded over the secured to the main panel and the side flaps of the main body panels are not secured to each other.
4. (Currently Amended) A corrugated cardboard pallet as claimed in claim 2 ~~or claim 3~~ wherein opposing side flaps ~~(11 and 22, 14 and 25)~~ of each main body panel are a mirror image of one another.
5. (Currently Amended) A corrugated cardboard pallet as claimed in claim 2, ~~3 or 4~~ wherein adjacent side flaps ~~(11 and 14, 22 and 25)~~ of adjacent main body panels are identical.

6. (Currently Amended) A corrugated cardboard pallet as claimed in claim ~~any one of claims 2 to 5~~ wherein an end flap (~~17, 21~~) is provided at the end of each main body forming panel.
7. (Currently Amended) A corrugated cardboard pallet as claimed in claim 6 wherein one of the end flaps (~~21~~) is provided with side flaps (~~16, 27~~).
8. (Currently Amended) A corrugated cardboard pallet as claimed in claim 7 wherein a tab (~~12, 15, 23, 26~~) is provided on each of the side flaps (~~11, 14, 22, 25~~) of the main body forming panels for attachment to side flaps of the end flap and the middle flap in the constructed support.
9. (Original) A corrugated cardboard pallet as claimed in claim 8 wherein each tab is provided at the remote end of the indented region of each side flap.
10. (Currently Amended) A corrugated cardboard pallet as claimed in claim ~~any one of claims 2 to 9~~ wherein fluting is formed in the longitudinal direction of the blank.
11. (Currently Amended) A corrugated cardboard panel as claimed in claim ~~any one of claims 6 to 10~~ wherein an end flap of each main body forming panel is substantially the same length as the middle panel.
12. (Currently Amended) A corrugated cardboard pallet as claimed in claim 11 ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ wherein at least 4 connecting members are provided between the top sheet (~~28~~) and the base sheet (~~29~~).
13. (Currently Amended) A corrugated cardboard pallet as claimed in claim 12 wherein between 9 and 12 members are provided between the top sheet (~~28~~) and the base sheet (~~29~~).
14. (Original) A corrugated cardboard pallet as claimed in claim 13 wherein the connecting members are arranged at each corner of the sheets, with at least one member positioned centrally

between the corner members along each side thereof and a further member being provided in the centre between the sheets.

15. (Original) A corrugated cardboard pallet as claimed in claim 14 wherein the central connecting member is the largest size of member and the members provided at the corners are the smallest in size.

16. (Currently Amended) A corrugated cardboard pallet as claimed in claim 15 ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ wherein the base sheet is provided with regions (40, 42) that are relieved of material to provide access points from below the pallet.

17. (Currently Amended) A corrugated cardboard pallet as claimed in claim 16 ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ wherein the base sheet (29), top sheet (28) and at least one connecting member (30-38) are all secured together by means of adhesive only.

18. (Currently Amended) A corrugated cardboard pallet as claimed in claim 17 ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ wherein a varnish is applied to the top sheet, base sheet and/or at least one connecting member.

19. (Currently Amended) A corrugated cardboard pallet as claimed in claim 18 ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ wherein at least one additional sheet is secured to the top and/or base sheet.

20. (Original) A corrugated cardboard pallet as claimed in claim 19 wherein the additional sheet is a cross ply board.

21. (Currently Amended) A corrugated cardboard pallet as claimed in ~~claim 19 or 20~~ wherein fluting of the additional sheet lies at 90 degrees to the direction of fluting on the sheet to which it is applied.

22. (Currently Amended) A method of manufacturing a corrugated cardboard pallet comprising the steps of passing a top sheet (28) along a conveyor (100), feeding at least one

connecting member (10) on to the top sheet and securing a base sheet (29) to the connecting member, characterized ~~characterised~~ in that the connecting member is moveable between a flattened and an erect state and is applied to the top sheet in its flattened state.

23. (Original) A method as claimed in claim 22 wherein adhesive is applied to the connecting member prior to feeding it on to the top sheet.

24. (Currently Amended) A method as claimed in ~~claim 23, 24 or~~ claim 25 wherein a plurality of connecting members are fed onto different locations on the top sheet.

25. (Currently Amended) A method as claimed in claim 24 wherein the connecting members are fed from hoppers (101-104).